

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title : Method For Arc Welding of Ductile Cast Iron

**RESPONSE
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2008, the Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks. The response due date, extended two months, is November 3, 2008.

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Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.